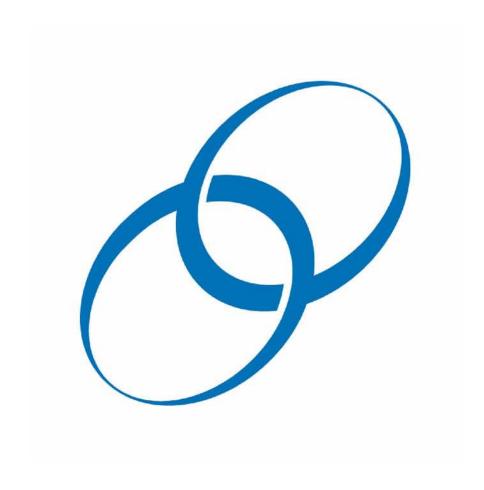
Appendix K State Certification







Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

May 1, 2003

Mr. Gary Child Wyoming Division of Vocational Rehabilitation 1100 Herschler Building Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002

Dear Mr. Child:

Pursuant to Title IV of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, section 225(f)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 225(f)(2), and section 64.605(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 64.605(b), the Application of the State of Wyoming for certification of its Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) program, Application No. TRS-18-02; (WYOMING), is hereby GRANTED, in accordance with the condition described below. On the basis of its application, the Commission has determined that:

- (1) the TRS program of the State of Wyoming meets or exceeds all operational, technical, and functional minimum standards contained in section 64.604 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 64.604;
- (2) the state's program makes available adequate procedures and remedies for enforcing the requirements of the state program; and
- (3) the state's program in no way conflicts with federal law.

The Commission also has determined that the State of Wyoming's intrastate funding mechanism is labeled in a manner that promotes national understanding of TRS and does not offend the public, consistent with section 64.605(d) of the Commission's rules, 46 C.F.R. § 64.605(d).

On February 17, 2000, the Commission adopted a Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that made changes to the TRS rules and proposed additional ways to enhance the quality of existing telecommunications relay services (TRS) and expand those services for better use by individuals with speech disabilities. See Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities, CC Docket No. 98-67, FCC 98-67, FCC 98-90 (rel. Mar. 6, 2000). Because the Commission may adopt further changes to the rules governing relay programs, including state relay programs, the certification granted herein is conditioned on a demonstration of compliance with any new rules ultimately adopted by the Commission. The Commission will provide guidance to the states on demonstrating compliance with such rule changes.

This certification, as conditioned herein, shall remain in effect for a five year period, beginning July 26, 2003, and ending July 25, 2008, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 64.605(c). One year prior to the expiration of this certification, July 25, 2007, the State of Wyoming may apply for renewal of

its TRS program certification by filing documentation in accordance with the Commission's rules, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§ 64.605(a) and (b).

Sincerely

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